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The proposed settlement will not end abusive, anti competitive acts by Microsoft.

Any suitable remedy should include as a minimal subset:

Public disclosure of all file, disk, network protocol and other data interchange formats used by Microsoft operating systems and programs. This information to be sufficient to allow seamless translation to and from Microsoft file formats, and seamless interoperation with Microsoft software.

Full disclosure of all Application Programming Interfaces. Microsoft applications forbidden to use interfaces unavailable to independant software developers.

No software discounts other than quantity purchased. Uniform, publiclly available price schedules.

Microsoft product licences to be made transferrable and vendable, the same way physical products are treated [e.g. textbooks, novels and other common publications].

No penalties may be asesed by Microsoft against computer manufacturers, software developers or end users for using non-Microsoft software or supplying it as an option.

Computer manufacturers to have free reign to sell the hardware and software that they deem approriate, including systems without an installed operating system, or systems operable with multiple operating systems.

Microsoft software installations are not permitted to disable currently functional software.

Microsoft to be forbidden to announce products prior to 90 days before shipment to customers.

Any group monitoring terms of the settlement to have

the right and duty to provide public disclosure.

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